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SUBJECT: IBRD ASSISTANCE TO LIBERIAN FORESTRY

REF: A. MONROVIA 1883; B. STATE 062622

1. DEPARTMENT APPRECIATES EXCELLENT REPORT ON CONDITION
LIBERIAN IRON ORE RESERVES CONTAINED REF A.

2. BLINKHORN WHO JUST CONDUCTED FORESTRY STUDY IN LIBERIA
FOR IBRD HAS CLARIFIED IBRD'S INVOLVEMENT IN PROJECT.
IBRD'S VIEW OF DEPLETION LIBERIA IRON ORE RESERVES NOT
AS BLEAK AS PREVIOUSLY DESCRIBED TO DEPT. AND REPORTED
REF B. NONETHELESS, IBRD ACCORDING BLINKHORN DOES BELIEVE
IRON ORE INDUSTRY WILL NOT RPT NOT EXPERIENCE FURTHER
GROWTH BEFORE INEVITABLE DECLINE IN NOT TOO DISTANT FUTURE,
AND LIBERIA CONSEQUENTLY NEEDS ALTERNATIVE FOREIGN EXCHANGE
EARNER WHICH FORESTRY INDUSTRY COULD PROVIDE.
CONCURRING IN THAT VIEW, GOL ASKED IBRD TO DO FORESTRY
STUDY.

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3. BLINKHORN CONFIRMED THAT PROJECT LONG WAY FROM BEGIN-

NING STAGES OF IMPLEMENTATION; EVEN WRITE UP OF HIS PRE-LIMINARY STUDY AT LEAST TWO MONTHS AWAY. HENCE, CANNOT ESTIMATE SIZE OF ANY EXPENDITURES ON EQUIPMENT AND OTHER POTENTIAL COMMERCIAL OPPORTUNITIES. BLINKHORN'S REPORT WILL PROBABLY RECOMMEND COMBINED FORESTRY GROWING AND REPLANTING OPERATION PLUS TIMBER PROCESSING FACILITY IN EASTERN PART OF COUNTRY. ALTHOUGH FOREIGN CONTRACT

MANAGEMENT WOULD BE WELCOMED, PROJECT WOULD BE OWNED BY GOL WHICH WANTS BETTER CONTROL OF FORESTRY RESOURCE TO INSURE PROPER REPLANTING AND GREATER BENEFITS FOR LIBERIA, ACCORDING TO BLINKHORN. GOL SAID ALSO TO WANT LARGER DEGREE OF IN-COUNTRY PROCESSING OF TIMBER RESOURCE THAN COMMERCIAL COMPANIES PROVIDING. RUSH

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